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**General Statutory Rules, Notifications, Orders, Regulations, etc.,  
issued by Secretariat Departments.**

#### NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

##### ADI DRAVIDAR AND TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

DATE OF COME INTO FORCE OF THE TAMIL NADU DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN FOR THE SCHEDULED CASTES AND THE SCHEDULED TRIBES RULES, 2024. (TAMIL NADU ACT 20 OF 2024.)

[G.O. Ms. No. 62, *Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare (MEC.2), 19th August 2024,*  
*Aavani 3, Kurothi, Thiruvalluvar Aandu-2055]*

**No. SRO A-14 (e-1)/2024.**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (3) of section 1 of the Tamil Nadu Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes Act, 2024 (Tamil Nadu Act 20 of 2024), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby appoints the 19th day of August 2024, as the date on which the said Act shall come into force.

##### NOTIFICATION - II.

[G.O. Ms. No.62, *Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare (MEC.2), 19th August 2024,*  
*Aavani 3, Kurothi, Thiruvalluvar Aandu-2055.*]

**No. SRO A-14(e-2)/2024.**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 17 of the Tamil Nadu Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes Act, 2024 (Tamil Nadu Act 20 of 2024), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

##### RULES.

**1. Short title.** - These rules may be called the Tamil Nadu Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes Rules, 2024.

**2. Definitions.** – (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-

(a) "Act" means the Tamil Nadu Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes Act, 2024 (Tamil Nadu Act 20 of 2024);

(b) "Form" means a Form appended to these rules;

(c) "Nodal department" means the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department;

(2) The words and expressions used in these rules and not defined, but defined in the Act shall have the meaning respectively assigned to them in the Act.

**3. The Development indices for the measurement of gaps in development and the manner of such Measurement** .- The Nodal Department shall take up necessary measures to identify the gaps in various development indices including the schooling completed and per capita income of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes vis-a-vis State average of General Population on the basis of the latest data available from the sources of authorised survey reports / impact studies and publications of the Central Government and State Government and its agencies and on the basis of inputs from the concerned Departments and a data base shall also be built-up based on the basis of Census Data from time to time.

(2) The District Monitoring Committee will identify the gaps in the development of Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes compared to the general population and shall formulate schemes to address these gaps. The District Monitoring Committee shall report the identified gaps to the relevant department, which shall communicate the same to the Nodal Department.

**4. Allowances payable to the nominated members of the State Council and District Monitoring Committee** .- (1) The members nominated to the State Council from among the persons working for the welfare of Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes are entitled to travelling allowance and sitting fees at the rates admissible to the First Class Committee of the State Government when they attend meetings.

(2) The members of the State Legislative Assembly or Parliament nominated to the State Council and to a District Monitoring Committee are entitled to travelling allowance and sitting fees at the rates admissible to the First Class Committee of the State Government when they attend meetings.

**5. Additional functions of the State Council** .- (1) The State Council shall meet at least once in a year at such place and time as may be decided by the Chair Person of the State Council.

(2) The State Council shall accord the final approval for the schemes prepared by the Departments under the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes on the recommendations of the Empowered Committee and shall review the performance of all Departments, regarding implementation of such schemes.

(3) As soon as the schemes prepared under the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes are approved by the State Council, the respective administrative departments shall issue the administrative sanction order for the schemes.

**6.Preparation and submission of Budget Proposals** .- (1) While preparing the budget proposals of the schemes, the Nodal Department and administrative Departments shall adhere to the following procedure namely:-

(a) shall consult the representatives of the organizations working for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes;

(b) invite the representatives of the Departments concerned as special invitees during the consultation process; and

(c) invite the proposals / suggestions from the concerned District Monitoring Committees. The District Monitoring Committees shall submit the proposals / suggestions if any, in consultation with the representatives of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes communities in that District.

(2) Each implementing Department may also consult the specific stakeholders while preparing the Schemes.

(3) The proposed scheme shall indicate the specific areas of impact and the quantifiable benefits that would arise on its implementation.

**7. The manner of undertaking research , survey and statistical studies**.- (1) The Nodal Department shall track the progress of the implementation of the schemes.

(2) The Nodal Department shall carry out field based evaluation / research studies from time to time, through reputed agencies or research institutions, to assess and to track the progress of each scheme implemented under the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes with respect to the status, nature and the existing gaps in development. Special attention shall be given to identify the development gaps in respect of women and disabled persons among the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes.

**8. Preparation of the Development Action Plan** .- (1) The respective administrative department shall submit to the Nodal Department the scheme wise draft pre-budget proposal for the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes in the Form-I and the proposal for the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Tribes in Form-II. The Nodal department shall examine whether the draft pre- budget proposal is as per the Act and these Rules and place it before the Empowered Committee for recommending it to the State Council.

(2) The Nodal department forwarded it to the Empowered Committee or may either return it to the respective administrative Department, for revision and reconsideration.

(3) On receipt of the same, the Nodal Department shall place it before the Empowered Committee for consideration and approval.

**9. Earmarking of funds for the Development Action.**- (1) The respective administrative Department in Government shall communicate to the Nodal Department the tentative lump sum allocation for the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes in every financial year subject to final allocation after finalizing the allocable Budget along with the unspent amount if any, out of the allocation made in the financial year prior to the immediate previous financial year, ,so as to enable the Empowered Committee and the Nodal department to distribute to various departments. The unspent amount shall be indicated separately while communicating the tentative lump sum allocation.

(2) Out of the unspent amount, two-third may be allocated to the same department and the remaining one-third to the Nodal department under a separate Head of Account to be operated by the respective departments in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Nodal Department from time to time. The unspent amount shall be carried forward to the financial year next to the immediately succeeding financial year and it shall not be carried forward beyond that year. The unspent amount must be utilized fully on priority basis in the current financial year itself .

**10. Functions of the District Monitoring Committee.**- The District Monitoring Committee shall,- (i) ensure the proper implementation of the scheme under Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes in the District;

(ii) meet once in three months to review the physical and financial progress and submit the progress report to the Nodal department;

(iii) ensure that the progress reports of various Departments are placed in the public domain by uploading the same in the website of the District Administration;

(iv) monitor the elimination or reduction of the identified gaps in the development of Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes in that District;

(v) maintain scheme wise, village, panchayat and State Legislative Assembly constituency wise details of both physical and financial benefits and the list of beneficiaries and post them in the web portal;

(vi) facilitate analysis of gaps in the development in the District and suggest the remedial measures for its proper implementation;

(vii) arrange to take up physical verification of works / schemes being implemented under the Development Action;

(viii) ensure that the implementing Departments at District Level are submitting the monthly progress report to the District Monitoring Committee in Form-III in respect of the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and in Form-IV in respect of the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Tribes;

(ix) submit the consolidated quarterly report to the Nodal department in Form-V for the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and in Form-VI for the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Tribes;

(x) submit an annual report to the Nodal department incorporating the physical and financial outcomes of each department and achievements in reduction of gaps in the development of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes consequent on the implementation of the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes ;

(xi) shall review the same in Scheduled Caste Sub Plan /Tribal Sub Plan monitoring meetings; and

(xii) perform any other functions as may be assigned to it by the Nodal Department from time to time.

**11. Annual Report.**- In respect of each financial year, the Nodal Department shall with the approval of the Empowered Committee and the State Council place the Annual Report before the Legislative Assembly, containing the details of Department-wise achievements, funds unutilized, status of the unspent funds earmarked during that financial year and the outcome of the implementation of the Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes during that financial year.

## APPENDIX

## FORM-I

(see sub rule(1) of rule 8 )

SCHEME WISE PRE-BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR THE SCHEDULED CASTES UNDER THE SCHEDULED CASTES  
SUB PLAN FOR THE YEAR -----

Name of the Department : .....

(Rs.in.lakhs)

## FORM-II

(see sub rule(1) of rule 8)

SCHEME WISE PRE-BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR THE SCHEDULED TRIBES UNDER THE TRIBAL SUB PLAN FOR  
THE YEAR -----

Name of the Department : .....

(Rs.in.lakhs)



## FORM-V

(see clause (ix) of Rule 10)

DISTRICT QUARTERLY CONSOLIDATED PROGRESS REPORT OF SCHEDULED CASTES SUB PLAN IN  
RESPECT OF THE SCHEDULED CASTES UP TO THE QUARTER .....

(Rs.in.lakhs)

Note : This matter will be placed before the State Council

## FORM-VI

(see clause (ix) of Rule 10)

DISTRICT QUARTERLY CONSOLIDATED PROGRESS REPORT OF TRIBAL SUB PLAN IN RESPECT OF THE SCHEDULED TRIBES UP TO THE QUARTER .....

(Rs.in.lakhs)

Note : This matter will be placed before the State Council

G. LAXMI PRIYA,  
*Secretary to Government.*